6 May 1946

### MEMORANDUM

To: Rear Admiral E. E. Stone, U.S. Havy, Chief of Naval Communications.

l. It is requested that the files of Maval Communications be searched for dispatches originated by the Maval Attache!, Assistant Maval Attache!, or the Maval Observer, at Singapore on 4, 5, 6 or 7 December 1941, and that two photostatic copies of any and all dispatches found in the aforementioned categories be furnished the undersigned. If none are found a statement to that effect is requested.

JOHN FORD BARCHER, Commander, USHR.

### MEMORANDUM:

From

OP-20-9-C.

To:

OP-20-4.

Subject:

Request for Dispatches.

Reference:

(a) Commander J. F. Baecher, U.S.H.R., Memorandum 1083A(HLB) R#180, dated 6 May 1946.

1. A thorough search of appropriate Mavy Department Communication Office files reveals the following dispatches requested in Reference (a):

Aluana Singapore 050733 CR 84
Aluana Singapore 030227 CR 760
Aluana Singapore 070556; CR 6453
Aluana Singapore 040744 CR 0710

2. The classification of these dispatches has been changed to

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2. THESE DESPATCHES ARE TO BE DELIVERED TO COMM. J.F. Baecher, USNR FOR USE BEFORE THE PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.

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THESE DESPATCH(ES) ARE (NOT) CONTAINED IN THE PEARL USNR

AP 20-4

1. Received from Commander P. W. Cann, USN (Officer-in-Charge Navy Department Code Room) 3 photostate copies of dispatches listed below which are re-classified as Top Secret.

2. These dispatches are to be delivered to Comdr. J. F. Baecher, U.S.N.R. for use before the present congressional investigating committee.

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45 46	CINCLANT CINCLANT	Ø91628 Ø82211	Ø952 Ø5Ø6 Ø481
49	COMTASKFOR 4	12Ø343	Ø128

51	CNO	12235Ø	Ø25Ø
53	CNO	Ø71815	Ø754
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75	COMTASKGROUP 4.6	2Ø235Ø	Ø6Ø5
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81	CINCLANT	222Ø2Ø	Ø176
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91	ALUSNA RIO	261900	Ø281
96	COM CARIB NAVCOASTFRONT	282245	Ø932
97	COM 16	29Ø542	ØØ52
98	NAVOB WELLINGTON N.Z.	282115	<b>6</b> 055
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104	CINCLANT	301822	Ø4Ø5
105	NSHQ OTTAWA	Ø1Ø827	Ø486
107	CNO	Ø2Ø138	Ø324
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# MEMORANDUM

To: Rear Admiral E. E. Stone.

Pearl Harbor Investigation by Captain John Creighton, Naval Attache, Singapore in 1944, mention was made of a message sent by Captain Creighton to Admiral Hart (with copies to Admiral Kimmel and the Navy Department) probably on 4, 5, or 6 December. This message reported information received from the pilot of a British reconnaissance airplans of a Japanese convoy sighted almost south of the south point of Siam and headed west and of Japanese fighter planes which took off from the deck of the carrier in the convoy to try to keep the British plane from approaching the ships.

2. It is requested that this office be furnished with a photostatic copy of the above message to be forwarded to the Committee.

John Ford Baecher, Commander, USNR.

CC: P. W. Cann, Cdr.

300419 070611 CR0484 071421 CR0544

# MEMORANDUM:

From:

OP-20-9-C.

To:

OP-20-4.

Subject:

Dispatch From Alusna Singapore, Request For Copy Of.

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Reference: (a) Commander J. F. Baecher, Memorandum to Rear Admiral E. E. Stone, R#180, dated 30 April 1946.

A thorough search of the files of the Navy Department Code Room fails to reveal the subject dispatch requested in Reference (a).

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RECEIVED FROM COMMANDER P. W. CANN, USN (OFFICER-IN-CHARGE NAVY DEPARTMENT CODE ROOM), three WORKENERSONS (PHOTOSTAT) COPYLIES) OF DESPATCH (EXXXX LISTED BELOW WHICH ARE RE-CLASSIFIED AS TOP SECRET. OWE 460/46

2. THESE DESPATCHES ARE TO BE DELIVERED TO COMMITTEE. Baecher, USNR FOR USE BEFORE THE PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.

NPM 1535 Addressed to SECSTATE WASHN signed STANTON

THIS XHANDE DESPATCH (XXXX) XXXX (NOT) CONTAINED IN THE PEAR CON. U.S.N.R. HARBOR FILE.

26 April 1946

# HEMORANDUM:

From:

OP-20-9-C.

To:

OP-20-4.

Subject:

Dispatch requested in Reference (a).

Reference:

(a) Comdr. J. F. Baecher, U.S.N.R., Memorandum 1070/JFB;ms,

R#174, dated 23 April 1946.

Enclosure: Three.

A search of the Navy Department Communication Office files revealed an unclassified dispatch received from Navy Radio Station Honolulu addressed to SECSTATE Washington and signed STANTON (NPM 1535), which appears to be that requested in Reference (a).

Photostatic copies of same are furnished herewith. It has been re-classified Top Secret.

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23 April 1946

#### MEMORANDUM

To:

The Chief of Naval Operations (DCNO (Operations)).

Subject:

Congressional Investigation of the Attack on Pearl Harbor.

There has been introduced in evidence in the above investigation, incomplete stenographic notes of statements made on the evening of 7 December 1941. at a private conference held by President Roosevelt with leaders of Congress, including remarks by the President, following some reference to Shanghai, and to a United States consul named Stanton, as follows:

"THE PRESIDENT: "Captain Smith of the U.S.S. ? received a telephone call at 4:15 this morning. Japanese naval officers stated over the telephone that a state of war exists between my country and yours. I am taking control over the U.S.S. ? . That's the nearest official thing I have got, and that's a telephone message. I think we had better not say anything about it. Remember that out there it is nearly just about dawn. They are doing things, and saying things during the daytime out there, while we are all in bed'".

- The President's remarks suggest the possibilities that the Captain Smith in question was the captain of some United States war ship in China waters (possibly Shanghai) which he was required to surrender to the Japanese at 0415 (probably Washington local time), 7 December 1941, and that he received notice of the beginning of the war over the telephone at that time. Such would have been upwards of 9 to 10 hours prior to the time of the attack on Pearl Harbor.
- The matters stated in paragraph 2 raise questions as to what information in those respects was received in Washington, and the manner and time of its transmission and receipt.
- It is accordingly requested that there be furnished the undersigned for the Committee, information as to (1) the identity of the Captain Smith in question and of the ship of which he was in charge, (2) what happened to him and to the ship, (3) the telephone call received by him, (4) what information concerning those matters was sent to the Navy Department and

Subject:

Congressional Investigation of the Attack on Pearl Harbor.

the manner of transmission and time of receipt, (5) any other available information concerning the incident or events referred to by President Roosevelt in the above quotation, and (6) that if any of the information was received in the Navy Department by dispatches, that there be furnished photostatic copies of the same.

John Ford Baecher Commander, USNR.

Copies to:

Rear Admiral E. E. Stone
Chief of Naval Communications

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To: Rear Admiral E. E. Stone, USB., Director, Naval Communications.

1. It is requested that two photostatic copies of the following described dispatches be furnished:

- (a) Admiralty to Opnav secret dispatch 060631, December, 1941.

  Information available regarding this dispatch also indicates that it bere the number "CRO61".
  - (b) Opnav to Alusna Havana clear dispatch 070145, December, 1941.

    Requested air transportation by Havy plane be arranged for two civilian engineers from Havana to Guantanano.
  - X(c) Secret dispatch 061535, December, 1941.

    This dispatch is from or to Opnav and was seem by the Opnav Duty Officer between 1145 and 1900 on 6 December, 1941.
    - (d) Secret dispatch 061730, December, 1941.

      This dispatch is from or to Opnav and was seen by the Opnav Duty Officer between 1145 and 1900 on 6 December, 1941.
    - (e) Comone to Opnav confidential dispatch 062330, December, 1941.
      Regarding Finnish ship S. S. Olivia.
    - (f) Secret dispatch 070715, December, 1941.

      This dispatch is from or to Opnav and was seen by the Opnav Duty Officer between 0800 and 1400 on 7 December 1941.
  - (g) CinCPac to Opnav secret dispatch 071830, December, 1941.
    This dispatch may have been in plain language. It is the first official notification to the Department of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Advance copy to: Comdr. Conn. Room 2625.

JOHN FORD BARCHER, Commander, USHR.

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Rm 1070

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- These dispatches are to be delivered to Lt. Comdr. J. F. Baecher. for use before the present congressional investigating committee.

(a) Admiralty 060631 of December, 1941.
(b) OPNav 070145 of December, 1941.
(c) Spenavo London 061535 of December, 1941.
(d) Com Task Group 4.6 061730 of December, 1941.
(e) Com One 062330 of December 1941.
(f) CinCaf

(g) CincPac 071830 of December, 1941

With the exception of Item (c), these dispatches are not contained in the Pearl Harbor File.

Reference: Letter to Rear Admiral E. E. Stone, USN., 1083A(HLB) B#167, dated 10 April 1946.

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### MEMORANDUM:

To:

Rear Admiral E. E. Stone, U.S. Navy, Director, Naval Communications.

Subject:

Receipt.

Reference:

(a) Lt. Comdr. J.F. Baecher, Memorandum to Rear Admiral E. E. Stone, U.S.N. 1083A(HLB) #156, dated 11 March 1946.

1. Received from Comdr. P. W. Cann, U.S.N. (Officer in Charge, Navy Department Code Room), two (2) photostat copies of dispatches listed below in accordance with Reference (a). These dispatches are hereby reclassified Top Secret.

From Radio Washington to Radio San Francisco.

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From Radio Washington to Radio Honolulu.

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18 March 1946

### MEMORABIRIM

To: Rear Admiral R. E. Stone, U.S. Navy, Director, Naval Communications.

Subject: Dispatches, request for copies of for Congressional Committee.

- l. A request has been received from the Congressional Committee Investigating the Pearl Harbor Attack for "any and all messages dispatched by the Mavy Department in Washington on December 7th to the Pacific Fleet, the Asiatic Fleet and to all the commanders on the West Coast and in the Pacific Area, up to the time of the attack".
- 2. The above request is interpreted to include all dispatches originating in the Eavy Department addressed to those addressess listed in paragraph 1 and bearing date-time groups from 070500 to 071830 December 1941, which would include the period 0000 7 December 1941 to 1330 7 December 1941 Washington Local Time, i.e., all of December 7th, 1941, to the time of the attack.
- 3. The only dispatch in the category of those requested which has thus far been made available is Opnay 071722 December 1941.
- 4. It is requested that two photostatic copies of any other dispatches in the files of the Navy Department falling into the category requested be furnished the undersigned for transmission to the Committee.

JOHN FORD BARCHER. Lieutenant Commander, Unir.

Advance copy to: Comdr. Cann.

### MEMORANDUM:

From:

20-9-C

To:

OP 20-4

Subject: Request of Lt. Comdr. J. F. Beacher, R# 151 UP 27 February 1946.

- The "Received" time stamp on the code copy of Cincaf Ø61255 of December als partially obliterated but the first four digits "0615" are readable and the dispatch may be assumed to have been received not later than 1500 GCT on 6 December 1946.
- Time of receipt in the Code Room does not appear on the code copy, the work sheet, or the Write-Up copy.
- The time of decryption typed on the work sheet is \$61557 GCT.

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## MEMORANDUH

To:

Captain F. O. Willenbucher.

- 1. Request has been made for information concerning the CinCaf dispatch 061255 of December 1941.
- 2. It is requested that this office be informed of the time of receipt in Washington, time of receipt in code room, and time of translation of the above dispatch.

John Ford Baecher Lt. Comdr., USNR

cc: Cdr. P. W. Carm

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1	COMAIRBATFOR	312Ø34	ø925
3	DUPONT	Ø12359	Ø254
4A	COMTASKFORCE 4	Ø2Ø146	Ø268
4B	DUPONT	Ø2Ø41Ø	Ø322
5	NSHQ OTTAWA	ø3ø636	Ø484
6	COAC	ø3ø617	Ø488
7	OPNAV	ø3ø849	Ø216
8	BROADWAY via HALIFAX	ø3ø435	Ø487
9	CTG 14.3	ø3ø855	Ø489
11	HMS BROADWAY	Ø31558	Ø815
12	CCNF	Ø32316	Ø8Ø5
13	OPNAV	ø4ø625	Ø376
14	ADMIRALTY	Ø32335	Ø8Ø4
16	HAMMANN	ø622øø	Ø647
17	COMTASKGROUP 3.6	Ø621ØØ	Ø684
19	COMTASKFOR 4	Ø81922	Ø277
21	COMTASKUNIT 4.2.6	Ø81.745	Ø38Ø
22	SPENAVC LONDON	Ø811Ø3	Ø193
23	OPNAV	Ø8194Ø	Ø951
24	OPNAV	Ø82123	Ø956
25	OPNAV	Ø81725	Ø915
27	COM 3	Ø818ØØ	Ø266
29	MARIO ALUSNA RIO	Ø8163Ø	Ø881
30	COAC	Ø814Ø1	Ø365
31 0	CINC SA	Ø812Ø7	Ø366
32	SPENAVO LONDON	Ø811Ø1	Ø195
33	OPNAV	Ø81337	Ø879
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# Office Memorandum · United States Government

fo : **Op. 20-4**.

DATE: 16 February 1945

FROM : Comdr. Weinstock.

SUBJECT: Inquiry of Admiral Moyes regarding Opnav 061743 of December 1941.

1. At 2200 local time on 15 February 1946, Comdr. Gregg (Code Room Watch Officer on duty) phoned me at home and stated that Comdr. Gardner (Communication Watch Officer) notified him that Admiral Noyes had telephoned and requested the transmission copy of Ophav 061743 of December 1941 so that he could verify the precedence. Comdr. Gregg requested instructions.

- 2. I phoned Admiral Noyes and told him that such a request would have to come through Lt. Comdr. J. F. Bascher. He said that he was testifying the next morning (16 Feb.) and time would not permit formal request. He said that he mostly desired to know the precedence assigned to the dispatch on the actual transmission copy. I told him that I would telephone him at 0830 on 16 February.
- 3. I personally looked at the microfilm containing the exact transmission copy of the subject dispatch and the radio heading of same contains the presign "D", signifying deferred precedence. I then telephoned Capt. Willenbucher (Op 20-4) who authorised me to—
  - (a) Give this information to Admiral Moreau

# Office Memorandum . United States Government

TO . :

DATE:

FROM :

SUBJECT:

- (b) Read him a definition of "Deferred" from Communication Instructions, 1944.
- (c) Notify the office of Lt. Comdr Baecher of my action.
- 4. at 0840 local time on 16 February, I imported the following information to Admiral Hoyes by telephone:
  - (a) That precedence of subject dispatch was "deferred."
  - (b) I read the definition of "Deferred Precedence" as contained in paragraph 2012 (MRPH 281) of Communications Instructions, 1944.
- 5. Op 20-90 memorandum to Op 20-4, dated 23 January 1946 also refers to the subject dispatch.

# Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO

DATE:

FROM :

SUBJECT:

6. At 0930, I notified Lt. (J.G.) of Lt. Comdr. J. F. Baecher office of action taken and she stated she would pass the information on to Lt. Comdr. Baecher upon his arrival.

copy to: CNO Condr. Cann.

# Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

: Op. 20-4. TO

DATE: 16 February 1945

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2. THESE DESPATCHES ARE TO BE DELIVERED TOLL.Comdr. J.F. Baecher, FOR USE BEFORE THE PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING U.S.N.R. COMMITTEE.

OPNav 281500 March 1941 CR 983 OPNav 281230 March 1941 CR 970

MESE DESPATCH(ES) ARE (NOT) CONTAINED IN THE PEARL

Ref: Memorandum from Lt. Comdr. J. F. Baecher, of 13 February 1946, to Admiral Stone, Re: Exchange between Army and Navy of Communication Intelligence information.

### MEMORANDUM:

From: OP-20-9-C.

To: A OP-20-4. The Congressional families investigating the

Subject: Memorandum from Lt. Comdr. J. F. Baecher, U.S.N.R. of
13 February 1946, to Admiral Stone, re: Exchange between
Army and Navy of Communication Intelligence Information.

- 1. The pertinent files of the Navy Department Code Room have been thoroughly searched for the period 1 January 1941 to 7 December 1941 inclusive.
- 2. This search reveals the following relevant dispatches:
  - (a) OPNAV 281500 March 1941 to Com 16, Cincaf, Chief of Staff, Army.
- (b) OPNAV 281230 March 1941 to Commanding General, Philippine Department and Com 16.

ms stated that in 1941 (probably before 1 July) dis-

(c) OPNAV 062134 March 1941 to Cincaf.

These dispatches are enclosed herewith.

P. W. CANN

2/14/46 Reid Original this date.

### MEMORANDUM

To: Admiral H. E. Stone, U.S. Navy, Director of Naval Communications.

- l. A witness before the Congressional Committee investigating the attack on Pearl Harbor has stated that in 1941 (probably before 1 July) dispatch orders were sent from CHO to Com 16 and Com 14 (info: CinCAF and CinCPAC) to the effect all communication intelligence, including all cryptographic information would be exchanged with the Army at the points addressed, in addition to being forwarded to Washington.
- 2. It is requested that a search for this dispatch be undertaken, and if found that two photostatic copies be forwarded to the undersigned for transmission to the Committee.

JOHN FORD BARCHER, Lieutenant Commander, USNR.

Advance copy to: Lt. Comdr. Jenkins (Room 2846) Comdr. Cann (Room 2625) Comdr. Boone (Annex) 2. THESE DESPATCHES ARE TO BE DELIVERED TOLL. Comdr. J.F.Baecher, FOR USE BEFORE THE PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING U.S.N.R. COMMITTEE.

042017 December 1941 CR 0701 040330 December 1941 CR 0640 040343 December 1941 CR 0641

HESE DESPATCH(ES) ARE (NOT) CONTAINED IN THE PEARL (20-4)

Ref: Lt. Comdr. J. F. Baecher, Memorandum to Admiral Stone, dated 7 February 1946.

### MISHORANDUM:

TO: Lt. Comdr. J. F. Baecher, U.S.N.R.

Subject: ALUSNA Batavia Dispatch 031030 December 1941,

Information Concerning.

Reference: (a) Memorandum from Lt. Comdr. J. F. Baecher,

U.S.N.R., 1083A(SLF) of 8 February 1946.

1. Information requested by Paragraph 2 is furnished as follows:

(a). Time of decoding 050645 GCT which is 0145 local time 5 December 1941.

(b). Time unknown.

(c). No other information available.

P. W. CAHN

## 8 February 1946

### MEMORANDUM

Tor

Captain Franz O. Willenbucher

Subject:

Pearl Harbor Investigation

References:

- (a) Our memorandum to Captain Willenbucher dated 26 January 1946.
- (b) Memorandum from Commander Cann to Lieutenant Commander Bascher dated 30 January 1946
- l. Paragraph II of reference (b) was in response to item 0 of reference (a) plus an additional verbal inquiry regarding item 0.
- 2. It is requested that the following further information regarding this dispatch be forwarded to this office for transmittal to the committee for the Pearl Harbor investigation.
  - (a) Time of decoding and writing up of ALUSNA Batavia 01030 December 1941.
    - (b) Time of delivery to any Naval officer (for

example Operations Duty Officer).

(c) Any other available information regarding the time of receipt of the processed dispatch by Naval personnel.

John Ford Baecher Lt. Comdr., USNR

## 9 February 1946

# MICHORANDUM:

TO:

Lt. Comdr. J. F. Baecher, U.S.N.R.

Subject:

ALUSMA Batavia Dispatch 031030 December 1941,

Information Concerning.

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P. W. CANN

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#### MEMORANIAIM

To:

Captain Franz O. Willenbucher, USN.

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Subject:

Copies of dispatches, request for.

l. Photostatic copies of the following dispatches are urgently required for use in connection with the Pearl Harbor investigation. It is requested that the files of Maval Communications be searched and if available, copies be furnished the undersigned.

> JOHN FORD BAECHER. Lieutenant Commander, USHR

Advance copy to: Commander Cann.

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2. THESE DESPATCHES ARE TO BE DELIVERED TOLL.Comdr. J.F. Baecher, FOR USE BEFORE THE PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING U.S.N.R. COMMITTEE.

# Com 16 271447 July 1941 \*\* Com 16 270355 November 1941 OpNav 011926 December 1941 Com 16 010245 December 1941 Cincaf 061255 December 1941 071722 December 1941 OpNav 072230 December 1941 OpNav ### Com 16 271855 August 1941

HESE DESPATCH(ES) ARE (NOT) CONTAINED IN THE PEARL

- \* Request was for 271447 August 1941 which was changed verbally to 271447 July 1941.
- \*\* Request was for 270335 November which was changed verbally to 270355.
- \*\*\* This dispatch was requested verbally.

P. W. CANN

Reference: Memorandum to Capt. F. O. Willenbucher, U.S.N.R., 1083A(HLB) "SLF" of 29 Jamary 1946,

## MEMORANDUM

To: Captain O. Franz Willenbucher, U.S. Navy

- 1. Photostatic copies of the following dispatches are urgently required for use in connection with the Pearl Harbor investigation. It is requested that the files of the Maval Communications be searched and if available, copies be furnished the undersigned.
  - A. CinCAF secret dispatch 281130 of 28 Nov 1911, addressed for information to CinCPAC and Com 11.
  - B. OFRAY 282301 November 19hl. (A summary of Tokyo to Washington Serial 8h3).
  - -VCJ OFMAY Oh1754 December 1941. (Priority).
  - D. OPHAV Oh2000 December 1941, (Priority). Action CinCPAC, BOXC-4
    CinCAF, Com 16, Com 14, Guam, Samoa.
  - V.E. OPNAV OLZO18 December 1941. (Deferred).
  - P. VOPNAV OLEO19 December 1941. (Deferred).
  - O. VALUSNA Batavia 031030 December 1941. Sent via Navy. Boy 5-3
    - H. Message from Consul General Foote, Senior Diplomat in Netherlands East Indies, of & Dec (Java Tims), 3 Dec. (Wash. time), to Secretary of State. Received in the State Dept at 9:19 am & Dec 1961 (Wash. time) Copies delivered to Navy.
  - / I. Com 16 priority Oh1502 December 1941 to CNO and Com 14.
- 2. Also please advise time and date of receipt of item H. in the Havy Department.

JOHN FORD BAECHER Lieutenant Commander, USHR.

#### MEMORANDUM:

TO:

Lt. Comdr. J. F. Baecher, U.S.N.R.

· Subject:

Request for Dispatches for Use in Connection with Pearl Harbor Investigation.

Reference:

(a) Memorandum from Lt. Comdr. J. F. Baccher, U.S.N.R., 1083A(HLB) "SIF" of 26 January 1946, containing Items A to I.

- A thorough search of the Navy Department Coderoom files fails to show the dispatch requested in Item H. Such a dispatch might have been delivered directly to some other activity. Pursuing this line of thought, OP-20-G (Communication Intelligence), OP-23 (Maval Intelligence), and OP-21 (ACNO for Administration), were requested to search the files for such a dispatch. All such searches failed to reveal this dispatch.
- In reply to your verbal inquiry regarding Item G. you are informed that the time of receipt as indicated on the code copy was \$621 GCT 4 December 1941. It was also noted on the code copy that this dispatch was transmitted from Radio Honolulu as deferred precedence.

P. W. CANN

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RECEIVED FROM COMMANDER P. W. CANN, USN (OFFICER-IN-CHARGE NAVY DEPARTMENT CODE ROOM) (CERTIFICAL PHOTOSTAT) COPY(IES) OF DESPATCH(ES) LISTED BELOW WHICH ARE RE-CLASSIFIED AS TOP SECRET.

2. THESE DESPATCHES ARE TO BE DELIVERED TO SERVED TO BE BEFORE THE PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING U.S.M.R.

OPNAV 94.2018 - CR 792 OPNAV 94.2019 - CR 793	December December December	1941.
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THESE DESPATCH(ES) ARE (NOT) CONTAINED IN THE PEAR OF HARBOR FILE.

Reference: Memorandum from It. Condr. J.F. Baecher, U.S.H.R., 1083A(HLB)

#### MEMORANDUM

To: Rear Admiral E. E. Stone.

- 1. There has been a request from Mr. Gearhart, on the committee for the Pearl Harbor investigation, for copies of orders transferring ships from the Pacific to the Atlantic, or vice-versa, from May to December 1941.
- 2. In answer to this request, we have compiled: (A) A group of documents giving the general plans for such transfers, and (B) such actual dispatch orders as we have been able to find, as follows:
  - A. 1. CNO letter 390523 dated 3 January 1940.
    - 2. CNO letter 98038 dated 19 June 1940.
    - 3. CNO letter 13238 dated 24 January 1941.
  - B. 1. CNO to CinCus and CincPac 038612 dated 3 April 1941.
    - 2. CNO to CinCPac 152153 dated 15 April 1941.
    - 3. CinCPac to OpNav 162346 dated 16 April 1941.
    - 4. CNO to CinCPac 132019 dated 13 May 1941.
    - 5. OpNav to CinCPac 242155 dated 24 May 1941.
- 3. The above listed documents however do not appear to make a complete file of orders transferring such ships at that time as reported in Admiral Kimmel's annual report to the Secretary of the Navy, dated 15 August 1941, which read in part:
- "...Battleship Division THREE, YORKTOWN, Destroyer Squadrons EIGHT and NINE, Cruiser Division EIGHT, CINCINNATI, Patrol Squadron SIXTY-ONE, CIMARRON, SANGAMON, SANTEE, RELIEF, WILLIAM P. BIDDLE, FULLER, HEYWOOD, LITTLE, MANLEY, STRINGHAM, McKEAN, BRANT, BARTRIDGE, ALGORMA, and KALMIA, were transferred to the Atlantic Fleet."

Such information as we have been able to obtain indicates that orders for any ships not mentioned in the dispatches cited in (B) were perhaps issued by flag hoist or by written order delivered by hand. If however, there is in the Top Secret CNO files a general order, or any specific order, other than those cited above, regarding such transfers, it is requested that a copy of same be furnished this office.

1. RÉCEIVED FROM COMMANDER P. W. CANN, USN (OFFICER-IN-CHARGE NAVY DEPARTMENT CODE ROOM) (CERTACIONAL) (PHOTOSTAT) COPY(IES) OF DESPATCH(ES) LISTED BÉLOW WHICH ARE RE-CLASSIFIED AS TOP SECRET.

2. THESE DESPATCHES ARE TO BE DELIVERED TO Lt.Comdr. J.F. Baecher, FOR USE BEFORE THE PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING U.S.N.R. COMMITTEE.

Number of Copies	Originator	Date/Time Group	CR No.
3	CNO	182010	1140
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3	Cincpac	041001	0442
* 3	Cincpac	050547	0804
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THESE DESPATCHES ARE TO BE DELIVERED TO Lt.Comdr. J.F. 1 FOR USE BEFORE THE PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING TO COMMITTEE.

> Com 14 292120 CR 0348 Com 14 291535 CR 0190

THESE DESPATCH(ES) ARE (NOT) CONTAINED IN THE PEARL HARBOR FILE.

#### MEMORANDUM

To: Captain Franz O. Willenbucher

1. In a telephone conversation with Commander Weinstock this date, the following dispatches were requested:

- A. CNO dispatch Serial 182010.
- B. COMPOURTERN dispatch Serial 292120.
- C. COMFOURTEEN dispatch Serial 291535.
- D. CinCAF dispatch serial 061255.

2. The above were furnished this date.

John Ford Baecher, Lt. Comdr., USNR.

(b) (6)

Lt. (jg), USNR(W) By Direction.

### OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON

11 January 1946

#### MEMORANDUM

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John Ford Baecher, Lt. Comdr., USNR.

Lt. (jg), USNR(W)
By Direction.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

. OP-20-4.

DATER. 23 January 1946

PROM . OP-20-9-C.

SUBJECT: Pearl Harbor Investigation, Request for Information by.

In accordance with verbal instructions from the office of Lt. Comdr. J. F. Baecher, U.S.N.R., the information requested in Par. 1. (a) is all that is required. No copies are required.

- 2. The requested information is as follows:
  - (a) The lack of any indicated precedence on the subject dispatch shows that it was sent deferred. This fact has been verified by checking the heading on the coded transmission copy which is on file on microfilm in the Navy Department Communication Office.

P. W. CANH

2. THESE DESPATCHES ARE TO BE DELIVERED TO Lt.Comdr. J.F. Baecher FOR USE BEFORE THE PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING U.S.N.R. COMMITTEE.

OPNav 031850 CR0553 December 1941

### DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON

9 January 1946

#### MEMORANDUM

To:

Captain Franz O. Willenbucher.

- 1. In a telephone conversation this date with Commander Weinstock, a photostatic copy of OpNav dispatch, Serial 031850 was requested.
- 2. The above referred to dispatch was furnished this date.

John Ford Baecher, Lt. Comdr., USNR.

(b) (6)

Lt.(jg), USNH(W)
By Direction.

### 9 January 1946

#### MEMORANDUM

To: Captain Frans O. Willenbucher.

- l. In a telephone conversation this date with Commander Weins tock, a photostatic copy of OpNav dispatch, Serial 031850 was requested.
- 2. The above referred to dispatch was furnished this date.

John Ford Baecher, Lt. Comdr., USNR.

(b) (6)

By Direction.

2. THESE DESPATCHES ARE TO BE DELIVERED TO Lt.Comdr. J.F. Baecher, FOR USE BEFORE THE PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING U.S.N.R. COMMITTEE:

CincPac 280627 CR 0750

THESE DESPATCH(ES) ARE (NOT) CONTAINED IN THE PER HARBOR FILE.

### DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON

4 January 1946

#### MEMORANDUM:

To: Captain Franz O. Willenbucher.

- 1. By telephone this date this office requested three copies of CincPac dispatch of 28 November 1941 (280627) to OpNav.
- 2. Above copies were furnished this date.

John Ford Baecher Lt. Comdr., USNR

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Lt.(jg), USNR

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4 January 1946

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John Ford Baecher Lt. Comdr., USNR

(b) (6) Lt.(jg), USNR

#### MEMORANDUM

From

OP-20-9-C.

To:

OP-20-4.

Subject:

Search for Dispatches in Connection with Pearl Harbor

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Investigation.

Reference: (A) Lt. Comdr. J.F. Baecher, U.S.N.R., letter dated 17 December 1945.

1. A thorough search of the files of the Navy Department Code Room, for the months of November and December 1941, fails to reveal any dispatches of the type requested in Reference (A).

P. W. CANN

MEMORANDUM TO: Frans O. Willenbucher, Capt., USN.

Subj: Pearl Harbor Investigation.

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1. Counsel for the Committee has requested that the Mavy Department furnish him with a photostatic copy of a dispatch from Admiral Hart (CinCAF) to OpNav, wherein Admiral Hart requested that two B-2h's photograph the Marshall Islands. Counsel indicated that they had no further identifying information concerning this dispatch except that it might have been dated November or December 1941.

2. It is requested that a search be made for this dispatch and two photostatic copies be furnished.

John Ford Baecher, Lt. Comdr., USNR .

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By Direction.

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John Ford Baecher, Lt. Comdr., USNR .

(b) (6)

By Direction.

### DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON

28 December 1945

#### MEMORANDUM

To: Captain Franz O. Willenbucher.

1. Confirming my conversation this date with Commander Morris Weinstock, I requested and have received two (2) photostatic copies of a receipt for dispatch No. 061255 signed by C. R. Gailey, Major GSC.

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Lt.(jg), USNR, By Direction.

John Ford Baecher,

Lt. Comdr., USNR.

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- \* ADMIRALTY to OPNAV 302010A - 30 November 1941 SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 011516 - 1 December 1941 SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 021046 - 2 December 1941
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  - (A) OPNAV to SPENAVO, LONDON 112120 should read 112021
  - (B) ALUSNA, LONDON to OPNAV 2112?9 should read 211249

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- (C) CINC, CHINA 060775/Z should read 060745/Z
- 2. These were furnished by Commander Cam as requested.

John Ford Baecher. Lt. Comdr. USNR. 1200 (b) (c) AUTHOR MODEL TO GUAR TELETY

Lt. (jg), USNR By Direction.

MEMORANDUM TO: Captain Franz O. Willenbucher, USN

1. On telephone conversation this date with Commander Cann, I requested photostatic copies of the following thirty (30) dispatches. The four starred were added by later request.

SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV Ollil6 - 2 November 1941 SPENAVO, LONDON to OFNAV 011318 - 2 November 1941 SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 051051 - 5 November 1941 SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV O51121 - 5 November 1911 SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 051501 - 6 November 19hl OPNAV to SPENAVO, LONDON 052353 - 5 November 19h1 OFNAV to SPENAVO, LONDON 062102 - 7 November 1941 SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 071007 - 7 November 1941 SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 071351 - 8 November 1941 081600 - 8 November 1941 CNO to SPENAVO, LONDON OPNAV to ALUSNA, LONDON 081710 - 8 November 1941 ALUSNA, LOHDON to OPNAV 082213 - 8 November 1941 OPNAV to SPENAVO, LONDON 142120 - 14 November 1941 ALUSNA, SINGAPORE to OPNAV 170225 - 18 November 1941 SPENAVO, LONDON to OPHAV 171501 - 17 November 1941 SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 181006 - 18 November 1941 SPENAVO, LONDON to OFNAV 210959 - 21 Hovember 1941 ALUSNA, LONDON to OPHAV 211279 - 21 November 1941 OPHAV to SPENAVO, LONDON 212055 - 21 November 1941 \* ADMIRALTY to CN S, OTTAWA 240215A - 25 Hovember 1941

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  - (C) CINC, CHINA 0607?5/Z should read 060745/Z

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H (j.g.) USWR

- 1. Received from Commander P. W. Cann, USN (Officer-in-Charge Navy Department Code Room) 1 photostat copy of despatches listed below which are re-classified as Top Secret.
- 2. These dispatches are to be delivered to Lt. Comdr. J. F. Baecher, U.S.N.R. for use before the present Congressional Investigating Committee, in accordance with list furnished, dated 8 December 1945.

SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV Olll16 - 2 November 1941

SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 011318 - 2 November 1941

SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 051051 - 5 November 1941

SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 051424 - 5 November 1941

SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 051501 - 6 November 1941

OPNAV to SPENAVO, LONDON 052353 - 5 November 1941-

OPNAV to SPENAVO, LONDON 062102 - 7 November 1941

SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 071007 - 7 November 1941

SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 071351 - 8 November 1941

CNO to SPENAVO, LONDON 081600 - 8 November 1941

OPNAV to ALUSNA, LONDON 081710 - 8 November 1941

ALUSNA, LONDON to OPNAV 082213 - 8 November 1941

OPNAV to SPENAVO, LONDON 142120 - 14 November 1941 -

ALUSNA, SINGAPORE to OPNAV 170225 - 18 November 1941

SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 171501 - 17 November 1941

SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 181006 - 18 November 1941

SPENAVO, LONDON to OPNAV 210959 - 21 November 1941

ALUSNA, LONDON to OPNAV 2112?9 - 21 November 1941

OPNAV to SPENAVO, LONDON 212055 - 21 November 1941

ADMIRALTY to CNS, OTTAWA 240215A - 24 November 1941

#### **HEMORANDUM**

To: Captain Franz O. Willenbucher, U.S.N., (Ret.)

1. Confirming my telephone conversation this date with Commander P. W. Cann, I requested and received a copy of a dispatch from OpNav to Cincus, dated in June 1940, concerning orders for a secret sortie of the Fleet.

John Ford Baecher Lieut. Comdr., USNR

(b) (6)

By direction.

2. THESE DESPATCHES ARE TO BE DELIVERED TO Lt.Comdr. J.F. Baecher, FOR USE BEFORE THE PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING U.S.N.I COMMITTEE.

OPNav 200005 of June 1940

(b) (6) (J. N.)

THESE DESPATCH(ES) ARE (NOT) CONTAINED IN THE PEARL HARBOR FILE.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

7 December 1945

#### MEMORANDUM FOR CAPTAIN WILLENBUCHER

1. Confirming my conversation with Commander Cann this morning, it is requested that two (2) copies of OpNav dispatches 070327, December 1941, and 080121, December 1941, to Cincaf, be furnished.

John Ford Baecher Lieut. Comdr., USNR

(b) (6)

By direction.

Del 12/8/45

- 2. These dispatches are to be delivered to Lt.Comdr.J.F. Bacher, U.S.N.R. for use before the present Congressional Investigating Committee.

CinCaf 070327 of December 1941. CNO 080121 of December 1941.



These dispatch(es) are (moto) contained in the Pearl Harbor file.

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY Office of the Secretary Washington

COPY

7 December 1945

#### MEMORANDUM

Tot

Rear Admiral J. R. Redman Director of Naval Communications

Subject:

Congressional Investigation of the Pearl Harbor Disaster

l. In connection with the above investigation, the Navy Department has been served with a requisition by Mr. William D. Mitchell, general counsel for the investigation committee, reading as follows:

"It is our understanding that there is in the office of the Director of Naval Communications a file designated "White House File", containing communications sent by President Roosevelt to England and other points through Navy communication channels. This is to request that we be furnished promptly as possible, copies of all messages contained in this file sent to or received by the President or other White House aides during the period October 1, 1941 to December 7, 1941, inclusive, with reference to Japan or matters pertaining to political or military developments in the far East. It is probable that the request submitted by us under date of November 28th, emanating from Congressman Keefe, will include some of this material, and in this event it will be sufficient to furnish documents in response to that request."

- In my opinion, the President's memorandum to the Secretary of the Navy dated 29 November 1945, replying to Rear Admiral Kimmel's request for access to these particular files, authorizes the Navy Department to fulfill the subject request made by Mr. Mitchell. Accordingly please deliver two copies of the above to Lt. Comdr. J. Fl Baecher, Room 1083-A.
- 3. It is desired that the fulfilling of this request be expedited.

Del 12/8/45

/s/ O. S. Colcough

O. S. Colcough

## NAVY DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS WASHINGTON 25, D. C.



8 December 1945.

Received from Officer in Charge, Navy Department, Code Room, one copy (photostatic) of the following messages from the White House file. These are to be delivered to the Joint Congressional Committee investigating the Pearl Harbor attack in reply to a request therefor:

261854 from the President to the High Commissioner, Philippines, dated 26 November 1941.

280228 from CNCAF to OpNav (High Commissioner, Sayre, personal for President Roosevelt) dated 28 November 1941.

O. S. COLCLOUGH,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy.

#### ME MORANDUM:

Tor

Director of Naval Communications.

l. In connection with the Congressional Investigation of Pearl Harbor, we have been requested to supply the following confidential dispatch:

"Confidential Dispatch - Rdo Honolulu and Rdo Cavite 072202 - December 1941 CR 0538 To all merchant ships".

2. It is requested that a copy of this dispatch be furnished the undersigned, (Room 1083A).

John Ford Bascher, Lt. Comir., USNR.

Lt.(jg) (b) (6)
By Direction

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- 1. Received from Commander P. W. Cann, USN (Officer-in-Charge Navy Department Code Room) 2 (annication) (photostat) copy(ies) of despatch(es) listed below which are re-classified as Top Secret.
- 2. These dispatches are to be delivered to Lt.Comdr. J.F. Baecher, U.S.N.R. for use before the present Congressional Investigating Committee.

Radio Honolulu 072202 of December 1941 Radio Honolulu & Radio Cairte 072200 of December 1941.

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28 Movember 1945

To:

Captain Frans O. Willenbucher, USN (Ret.)

Subj:

Pearl Harbor Investigation.

Counsel for the Joint Congressional Committee has requested that he be furnished with a copy of the telegram sent from Admiral Hart to Admiral Stark, dated December 7, 1941, reference no. 070645.

2. It will be appreciated if you will furnish me a copy of this telegram.

> JOHN FORD BAECHER LT. COMDR. USNR

Date 28 November 1945	
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for use before the present Congressional Investigating Committee.

CNO'S 222210 of June 1940

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